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CALIFORNIA SEA URCHIN COMMISSION

MEETING NOTICE

TO THE CALIFORNIA SEA URCHIN DIVER OR HANDLER ADDRESSED:

Now that the California Sea Urchin Commission has been made effective via industry referendum, the first meeting of the Commission been called for the time and place as follows:

DATE: Monday, March 29, 2004

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: Resources Building, Redwood Training Room, #1404 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA

At the meeting the Sea Urchin Commission will elect officers, set the assessment rate for the 2004-2005 fiscal year, consider activities and a budget for the year, and discuss the hiring of management for the Commission. Enclosed is the detailed meeting agenda. We hope to have a good turnout as the sea urchin industry starts to use this new industry tool.

For your information, the following individuals were elected as Commissioners and will be serving two years terms:

Divers: District 1-Peter Halmay, District 2-Christopher Nelson, District 3-Jerome Betts, District 4-Ken Boettcher, and District 5-Carson Bell.

Handlers: Mack DeMachi, Bob Juntz, Charles Igawa, David Rudie, and Richard Yanagita.

If you have any questions regarding the agenda or the meeting, please contact Glenn Yost or myself at this office.

Sincerely,

Lynn A. Morgan, Branch Chief

Marketing Branch

Pursuant to Section 11125(a) of the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act, the meeting notice and agenda can be found at www.cdfa.ca.gov. urchinnotice.doc

CALIFORNIA SEA URCHIN COMMISSION ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2004-1:30 P.M. REDWOOD TRAINING ROOM, RESOURCES BUILDING

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS
- 3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND OTHER OFFICERS AS APPROPRIATE
- 4. CONSIDERATION OF COMMISSION MANAGEMENT
 - a. Consideration of Commission Management
 - b. Closed session-Discussion of Management pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)
- 5. CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE TOPICS
 - a. Public member appointment-Board nominations
 - b. Election of Alternate Members to the Commission
 - c. Creation of Bylaws
 - d. Banking arrangements
 - e. Appointment of Committees
- 6. CONSIDERATION OF ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSION LAW
 - a. Industry Education Programs-handling and preserving sea urchin quality
 - b. Scientific Research
 - c. Quality standards or other promotional tools
 - d. Public information programs to promote the sea urchin fishery
 - d. All other activities authorized by the Commission law
- 7. CONSIDERATION OF ASSESSMENT COLLECTION FOR THE 2004-2005 FISCAL YEAR
 - a. Estimate of 2004-2005 Sea Urchin Landings
 - b. Discussion and Approval of Rate of Assessment
 - c. Assessment Collection Procedures and enforcement
- 8. DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY 2004-2005 BUDGET
- 9. UPDATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT WITH CDFA
- 10. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- 11. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Action may be taken on any of the above agenda items. For information on the meeting or the California Sea Urchin Commission, call Glenn Yost or Lynn Morgan at the Marketing Branch, Department of Food and Agriculture, at (916) 341-6005.